

CHAPTER NO. 843

HOUSE BILL NO. 572

By Representatives Bunch, Pleasant

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 934

By Senator McNally

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 10, relative to special education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-10-114, is amended by designating the present section to be subsection (a) and by adding a new subsection (b) as follows:

(b) When a child is referred for assessment or evaluation of a possible disability, such assessment or evaluation must be completed as specified by the state board of education rules and regulations. The time frame from informed written parental consent to the placement of a child eligible for special education will be examined during the 2001-2002 school year by the state board and department of education. The state board and department will make a recommendation to the senate and house education committees regarding the amount of time that is needed for assessments by no later than December 31, 2002.

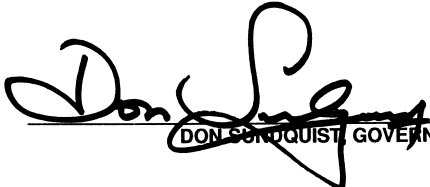
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and is repealed and shall have no effect after June 30, 2003.

**PASSED: June 27, 2002**

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

**APPROVED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2002**

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR